

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: William Evans, et) al.	Art Unit: 1713
Serial No.: 10/088,749	Examiner: Harlan, Robert D.
Filed: August 8, 2002	
For: Divalent Lanthanide Reduction) Catalysts)	RECEIVED NOV 2 4 2003
Commissioner for Patents	TC 1700

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 14, 2003

Sir:

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In response to the Office Action dated August 14, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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•	<u>11</u>	ransmittal Letter						
Dear	· Sir:							
	In accordance with Rule 136, the Commissioner is hereby petitioned for a () month extension of time, extending to, 2003 the period for response to the Office action dated August 14, 2003 Check No for \$0.00 is enclosed.							
	Enclosed is a certified copy of Serial No from which priority is claimed in the subject case pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.55b and 35 U.S.C. § 119.							
	Enclosed is an Assignment of the invention to [Assignee], including a cover sheet and Check No. [Assignment Check No.] for \$40.							
	A Declaration of Inventorship and	Limited Power of Attorney is enclosed.						
	A Certificate of Ownership and Po	ower of Attorney is enclosed.						
	Enclosed is a Request for Continue	ed Examination (RCE) Transmittal.						
⊠	Enclosed herewith is a amendment/response for filing in relation to the above-identified application. Entry and consideration of this amendment/response is requested.							

Commissioner is authorized to take the additional filing fees in the amount of \$186.00, from Deposit Account No. 50-0878:

	(Col. 1) Claims			(Col. 2) Highest No.		3) nt	Small Entity Additional		Other than a Small Entity Additional	
	Remaining After		Previously Paid For		Extra		Rate Fee		Rate Fee	
	Amen	dment								
Total claims		63	- 47	=	16	x 9	\$ 144.00 Or	x 18	\$	
Independent cla	aims	4	- 3	=	1	x 42	\$ 42.00 Or	x 84	\$	
First presentation of multiple dependent claims					+ 140	\$ Or	+ 280	\$		
						Total	\$186.00 Or	Total	\$	

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment and credit any overpayment of the filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees required under 37 § CFR 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 50-0878.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop , Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on November 14, 2003.

Dated: November 14, 2003

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